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SUBJECT: PLO OFFICIALS VISIT TUNIS

1. TWO PALESTINE LIBERATION ORGANIZATION OFFICIALS, ABOU MAYZAR (DESCRIBED AS PLO SPOKESMAN) AND ABOU MAZEN (DESCRIBED AS A MEMBER OF PLO EXCOMM), VISITED TUNIS WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20. THEY ARRIVED SEPARATELY, ABOU MAYZAR COMING FROM ALGIERS AND ABOU AMZEN'S PREVIOUS STOP UNREPORTED, BUT BOTH WERE SAID TO BE CARRYING MESSAGES FROM PLO LEADER ARAFAT TO PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA. ABOU MAZEN MET WITH PRIME MINISTER NOUIRA ON FEBRUARY 21 AND ABOU MAYZAR MET WITH FOREIGN MINISTER CHATTY THE SAME DAY. BOTH PLO OFFICIALS MET PRESIDENT BOURGUIBA TOGETHER ON FEBRUARY 22.

2. AFTER HIS MEETING WITH NOUIRA, ABOU MAZEN TOLD PRESS THAT HE HAD DESCRIBED POLITICAL SITUATION IN LEBANON AND PALESTINIAN-ARAB RELATIONS IN GENERAL. PRESS NOTED UNCLASSIFIED

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ONLY THAT NOUIRA EXPRESSED FULL SUPPORT FOR PALESTINIAN CAUSE.

3. AFTER CHATTY/ABOU MAYZAR, PRESS DESCRIBED ATMOSPHERE AS "FRATERNAL" AND SAID VIEWS OF THE TWO ON PROBLEMS OF THE REGION WERE CORROBORATIVE "CONCORDANT) AND THAT GOT HAD EXPRESSED FULL, RESOLUTE SUPPORT FOR

PALESTINIAN CAUSE AND THE PLO AS THE LEGITIMATE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE. THEY MET FOR TWO AND ONE-HALF HOURS.

4. AFTER MEETING WITH BOURGUIBA, ABOU MAYZAR SAID THE PRESIDENT HAD EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR THE PALESTINIANS' NATIONAL RIGHTS, THE "RIGHT OF RETURN." ITS SELF-DETERMINATION, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A STATE ON ITS NATIONAL TERRITORY.
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